GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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EXCISE EXEMPTION FOR PIPE MANUFACTURERS
Singh Shri Uday

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an excise duty Notification giving excise exemption was issued in March, 2007 for setting up of a new water treatment plant and for pipes supplying/drawing water from the plant;

(b) if so, whether Government is aware that some pipe manufacturers have been allowed excise exemption benefits on their pipes for water supply projects where no water treatment plant has been set up;

(c) whether any complaint has been received regarding misuse of excise exemption under the above Notification during the last one year; and

(d) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard including steps taken to recover the amount illegally claimed so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) to (c): Yes, Sir.

(d): Action as provided under law has been initiated.